



503.35255VX6

THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants: K. AOTA, et al.
Serial No.: 10/600,617
Filed: JUNE 23, 2003
Title: FRICTION STIR WELDING MEMBER
Group AU: 3635
Examiner: Robert T. Canfield
Confirm. No.: 6836

AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL REJECTION

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

October 20, 2006

SIR:

In response to the Office Action mailed June 27, 2006, please amend the above-identified application as listed in the following, and as set forth on the following pages:

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS; and

REMARKS are included following the amendments.